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French have now given us their views on possibility of using Allied Military Liaison Missions at Potedam as channel for communication with Soviets on matters affecting Berlin if Soviets transfer authority to CDR and Soviet Princesy East Berlin denies its competence and refuses discuss such matters.

French say they would have no objection to using Military Missions on "strictly military" matters, e.g., if soldier was arrested or detained in ast Berlin or Soviet ?one, but that on matters having political significance, such as Berlin access, they consider it undesirable use Missions. They base objection on same grounds as Fritish and because they fear using Missions for such purposes might prejudice their other activities. They believe that approach should be made at Moscow if channel of Soviet Forbassy Fest Berlin unavailing.

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